

Listing of the Claims:

The following is a complete listing of all the claims in the application, with an indication of the status of each:

- 1 1. (Currently Amended) An internet connection system, comprising:
2 a plurality of terminals, each terminal located in a predetermined
3 location, each terminal arranged to generate communications having a
4 location identifier unique to the terminal; [l.:] and
5 a gateway arranged to receive the communications from the
6 terminals and to selectively connect the terminals to the internet, arranged
7 to record a communication band usage for each of the terminals indicating
8 a quantity of communications through the gateway having the unique
9 location identifier of the terminal, and arranged to generate a
10 communication fee data unique to each terminal, the communication fee
11 data based on a ratio of the recorded communication band usage for the
12 terminal to a total of the recorded communication band usage of all of the
13 plurality of terminals.

2-6. (Canceled).

- 1 7. (Currently Amended) An internet connection system, comprising:
2 a plurality of gateways, each arranged in a predetermined location,
3 each connected to the internet via an access line associated with the
4 gateway;
5 a terminal located in each of the plurality of predetermined
6 locations, connected to the gateway, each terminal arranged to generate
7 communications having a location identifier unique to the terminal,
8 wherein the plurality of gateways are arranged to detect a
9 communication load through each of the access lines, are arranged to

10 compare the detected communication load of different ones of the access
11 lines band usage and, based on the comparing, to selectively connect the
12 terminals to the internet through the access line having a comparatively
13 lower communication load; and
14 a charging server connected to the plurality of gateways,
15 arranged to record a communication band usage for each of the
16 terminals reflecting a quantity of communications between each of the
17 terminals and the internet based on the location identifier within the
18 communications, and arranged to generate a communication fee data
19 unique to each terminal, based on a ratio of the recorded
20 communication band usage associated with the terminal to a total of
21 the recorded communication band usage of all of the plurality of
22 terminals.

8. (Canceled)

1 9. (Previously Presented) An internet system, comprising:
2 a plurality of wireless LAN base stations, each located in a
3 corresponding predetermined location;
4 a wireless terminal located in each of the predetermined locations,
5 each wireless terminal wireless LAN connected to the wireless LAN base
6 station in the same predetermined location and wireless LAN connected to
7 the wireless LAN base station in an adjacent predetermined location,
8 wherein each terminal is arranged to generate communications having a
9 location identifier unique to the terminal; and
10 a gateway connected to the plurality of wireless LAN base stations,
11 the gateway having an access line connected to the internet,
12 wherein the wireless LAN base stations, wireless terminals and
13 gateway are arranged to selectively connectively connect each of the

14 wireless terminals to the internet through a selectable one of the wireless
15 LAN base station to which the wireless terminal is wireless LAN
16 connected, and

17 wherein the gateway is arranged to record a communication band
18 usage for each of the terminals, identifying a quantity of communications
19 between each of the terminals and the internet based on the unique
20 location identifiers with the communications, and is arranged to generate a
21 communication fee data unique to each of the wireless terminals, based on
22 a ratio of the recorded communication band usage for the wireless terminal
23 associated with the data to a total of the recorded communication band
24 usage of all of the wireless terminals.

10. (Canceled).

11. (Previously Presented) An internet connection system, wherein:
1 a plurality of wireless LAN base stations, each located in a
2 corresponding predetermined location;
3 a wireless terminal located in each of the predetermined locations,
4 each wireless terminal wireless LAN connected to a sub-plurality of the
5 wireless LAN base stations, one of the sub-plurality of wireless LAN base
6 stations located in the same predetermined location as the wireless
7 terminal and the other of the sub-plurality of wireless LAN base stations
8 located in a different location; and

10 a common gateway connected to the plurality of wireless LAN base
11 stations, the common gateway having an ~~an~~ access line connected to the
12 internet,

13 wherein the wireless LAN base stations, wireless terminals and
14 gateway are arranged to measure a communication speed from each of the
15 wireless terminals to the internet through each of the plurality of wireless

16 LAN base stations to which the wireless terminal is wireless LAN
17 connected, and are arranged to selectively connectively connect the
18 wireless terminals to the internet through the gateway and through the
19 wireless LAN base station of the plurality of wireless LAN base stations
20 having the highest measured communication speed,
21 and further comprising a charging server, connected to the common
22 gateway, arranged to record a communication band usage for each of the
23 terminals indicating a quantity of communications between the terminal
24 and the internet, based on the unique location identifiers within the
25 communications, and arranged to generate a communication fee data
26 unique to each of the wireless terminals, based on a ratio of the recorded
27 communication band usage for the wireless terminal associated with the
28 data to a total of the recorded communication band usage of all of the
29 wireless terminals.

12. (Canceled)

13. (Previously Presented) An internet connection system, comprising:
1 a plurality of wireless LAN base stations, each located in a
2 corresponding predetermined location;
3 a wireless terminal located in each of the predetermined locations,
4 each wireless terminal wireless LAN connected to a sub-plurality of the
5 wireless LAN base stations, one of the sub-plurality of wireless LAN base
6 stations located in the same predetermined location as the wireless
7 terminal and the other of the sub-plurality of wireless LAN base stations
8 located in a different location,
9 wherein each of the wireless LAN base stations is respectively
10 connected to the internet via a corresponding gateway and a corresponding
11 access line connected to the gateway, and
12

13 wherein the wireless LAN base stations, wireless terminals and
14 gateway are arranged to measure a communication speed from each of the the
15 wireless terminals to the internet through each of the sub-plurality of
16 wireless LAN base stations to which the wireless terminal is wireless LAN
17 connected, and are arranged to selectively connectively connect the
18 wireless terminals to the internet through the gateway and through the
19 wireless LAN base station of the sub-plurality of wireless LAN base
20 stations having the highest measured communication speed,

21 and further comprising a charging server, connected to the common
22 gateway, arranged to record a communication band usage for each of the the
23 terminals indicating a quantity of communications between each of the
24 terminals and the internet, based on the unique location identifiers within
25 the communications, and arranged to generate a communication fee data
26 unique to each of the wireless terminals, based on a ratio of the recorded
27 communication band usage for the wireless terminal associated with the
28 data to a total of the recorded communication band usage of all of the
29 wireless terminals.

1 14. (Previously Presented) The internet connection system according to
2 claim 1, wherein the gateway and the terminals are arranged to assign a
3 preset maximum communication speed for each location, and are arranged
4 to detect a communication band sum for each location, representing a sum
5 of communications generated by all terminals associated with the location,
6 and are arranged to set, in response to the detected communication band
7 sum exceeding the maximum communication speed, a communication
8 operation of all of the terminals associated with the location to a waiting
9 state and to resume the communication operation of all of the terminals in
10 the location when the detected communication band sum becomes lower
11 than the maximum communication speed for the location.

- 1 15. (Previously Presented) The internet communication system according
2 to claim 1, wherein the gateway and the terminals are arranged to assign
3 a quantity of communication bands to each of the predetermined locations,
4 and are arranged to re-assign a quantity of the communication bands
5 assigned to a predetermined location to another of the predetermined
6 locations, and are arranged to generate a use fee data based on said re-
7 assigning.

- 1 16. (Currently Amended) The internet communication system according to
2 claim 1, wherein each of the terminals are arranged to include a MAC
3 address and to generate communication reflecting the MAC address, and
4 wherein the gateway includes a register to store authorized MAC
5 addresses for each of the predetermined locations, and wherein the
6 gateway gateways is arranged to enable communications between each of
7 the terminals and the internet based on the MAC address of the
8 communicating terminal being one of the stored authorized MAC
9 addresses, and wherein the gateway is arranged to detect and store for
10 each of the predetermined locations the total communication band usage
11 extent of all the terminals having authorized MAC addresses associated
12 with the location, and to detect and store, for each of the locations, the
13 ratio of the total communication band usage extent of the terminals having
14 authorized MAC addresses associated with the location to the total
15 communication band usage extent of all the terminals having authorized
16 MAC addresses associated for any of the locations, whereby distributions
17 of the ratios are used for fee computation.

- 1 17. (Original) The internet communication system of claim 1, wherein the
2 locations are rooms.